

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking to
Review Policies Concerning Intrastate
Carrier Access Charges.

Rulemaking 03-08-018

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING MODIFYING SCHEDULE

This ruling grants the joint motion of AT&T Communications of California, Inc. (AT&T), Office of Ratepayer Advocates (ORA), and Verizon California Inc. (Verizon) to modify the procedural schedule in this proceeding.

The parties filed the joint motion on September 12, 2003, seeking to extend the deadline for opening comments to October 24, 2003 and reply comments to November 12, 2003. They propose rescheduling the prehearing conference to November 19, 2003. Pacific Bell Telephone Company, Inc. and a number of the state's small and medium-sized local telephone companies filed pleadings in support the motion. MCI opposes the delay, stating the issue has been delayed for too long. It would agree to an extension of time to October 12, 2003 for opening comments.

The issues in this proceeding are complex and the Commission's telecommunications docket is, as the joint motion states, imposing considerable demands on parties in other proceedings. A one-month delay in this proceeding will not create harm, especially if it means the Commission will have the benefit of better analysis.

IT IS RULED that:

1. Opening comments in this proceeding are due October 24, 2003. Reply comments are due November 12, 2003.
2. The prehearing conference in this proceeding scheduled for October 22, 2003 is rescheduled to November 19, 2003.

Dated September 19, 2003, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ KIM MALCOLM
Kim Malcolm
Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Modifying Schedule on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated September 19, 2003, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ TERESITA C. GALLARDO

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